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1. By 20 December 1952, Special Group Hinz of the Seehydrographischer Dienst (Maritime Hydrographical Service) (SHD) in Stralsund had swept and surveyed one-fifth of the channel from the Greifswalder Oie toward Bornholm Island west of the Adlergrund. The total length of this channel was about 20 km; its breadth was about 1.5 nautical miles. The sweeping operations were carried out by four Sea Police KS boats (coastal patrol boats) including vessels [ ]<sup>1</sup> Twenty-five consecutive check runs were made over the area swept to ensure safety. Sweeping was done with electrical equipment, the power generators of which often did not work. [ ]<sup>2</sup> a magnetic rod, which came from stocks of the former German Navy and, in late 1952, was still being repaired in the Peenewerft Wolgast, would be used for sweeping in 1953.

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2. Since October 1952, a detail of the SHD Stralsund has surveyed the Jasmunder Bodden with the surveying launch KRANICH. The staff included Sea Police Senior Lieutenant (Eng) Weichbrot (fmu), one surveying technician and four assistants. The SHD received order to prepare charts, scale 1:500 and 1:1,000, on the basis of these surveys.

1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] Special Group Hinz used Sea Police vessels [redacted] during the surveying operation of the minesweeping area. [redacted]

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